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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

5. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the rodents
are laboratory rats or laboratory mice.

REMARKS

The above amendatory action has been taken to eliminate multiple dependencies so as to avoid the need to pay additional claim fees, and to present claims of differing scope.

Respectfully submitted,

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